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§ 35.20-45 Use of Auto Pilot—T/ALL.

Except as provided in 33 CFR 164.13, when the automatic pilot is used in:

- (a) Areas of high traffic density;
- (b) Conditions of restricted visibility; and
- (c) All other hazardous navigational situations, the master shall ensure that:

(1) It is possible to immediately establish manual control of the ship's steering;

(2) A competent person is ready at all times to take over steering control; and

(3) The changeover from automatic to manual steering and vice versa is made by, or under, the supervision of the officer of the watch.

[CGD 75-074, 42 FR 5963, Jan. 31, 1977, as amended by CGD 91-204, 58 FR 27633, May 10, 1993]

Subpart 35.25—Engine Department

§ 35.25-1 Examination of boilers and machinery by engineer—T/ALL.

It shall be the duty of an engineer when assuming charge of the boilers to examine the same forthwith and thoroughly. If any part thereof is found in bad condition, the engineer shall immediately report the facts to the master, owner, or agent, and to the nearest Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.

[CGD 95-027, 61 FR 26000, May 23, 1996]

§ 35.25-5 Repairs of boilers and unfired pressure vessels and reports of repairs or accidents by chief engineer—TB/ALL.

(a) Before making any repairs to boilers or unfired pressure vessels, the chief engineer shall submit a report covering the nature of the repairs to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, at or nearest to the port where the repairs are to be made.

(b) In the event of an accident to a boiler, unfired pressure vessel, or machinery tending to render the further use of the item itself unsafe until repairs are made, or if by ordinary wear such items become unsafe, a report shall be made by the chief engineer immediately to the Officer in Charge, Ma-

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rine Inspection, or if at sea, immediately upon arrival at port.

§ 35.25-10 Requirements for fuel oil—T/ALL.

(a) Oil to be used as fuel to be burned under boilers on tankships shall have a flashpoint of not less than 140°F. (Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Method, ASTM D 93) (incorporated by reference, see § 35.01-3).

(b) It shall be the duty of the chief engineer to make an entry in the log of each supply of fuel oil received on board, stating the quantity received, the name of the vendor, the name of the oil producer, and the flashpoint (Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Method, ASTM D 93) (incorporated by reference, see § 35.01-3) for which it is certified by the producer.

(c) It shall be the further duty of the chief engineer to draw and seal at the time the supply is received on board, a half-pint sample of each lot of fuel oil, such sample to be preserved until that particular supply of oil is exhausted.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16704, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGFR 68-82, 33 FR 18805, Dec. 18, 1968; CGD 73-254, 40 FR 40163, Sept. 2, 1975; USCG-2000-7790, 65 FR 58459, Sept. 29, 2000]

§ 35.25-15 Carrying of excess steam—TB/ALL.

It shall be the duty of the chief engineer of any tank vessel to see that a steam pressure is not carried in excess of that allowed by the certificate of inspection, and to see that the safety valves, once set by the inspector, are in no way tampered with or made inoperative.

[CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51199, Sept. 30, 1997]

Subpart 35.30—General Safety Rules

§ 35.30-1 Warning signals and signs—TB/ALL.

(a) *Red warning signals.* During transfer of bulk cargo while fast to a dock, a red signal (flag by day and electric lantern at night) shall be so placed that it will be visible on all sides. While transferring bulk cargo at anchor, a red flag only shall be displayed.

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(b) *Warning sign at gangway.* A sign shall be displayed to warn persons approaching the gangway, while a vessel is moored or anchored unless it is empty and gas-freed. The sign shall state in letters not less than 2 inches high substantially as follows:

Warning

No open lights.
No smoking.
No visitors.

(c) *Warning sign in radio room.* A sign shall be placed in radio room warning against the use of radio equipment during transfer of Grade A, B, or C liquids, except by permission of senior deck officer.

(d) [Reserved]

(e) Additional placards or signs required in connection with the movement of certain open hopper type barges are described in § 35.01-45.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16704, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGFR 70-143, 35 FR 19905, Dec. 30, 1970; CGD 73-96, 42 FR 49024, Sept. 26, 1977; CGD 73-243, 45 FR 18000, Mar. 20, 1980]

§ 35.30-5 Fires, matches, and smoking—TB/ALL.

(a) *General.* In making the determinations required under paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this section the senior deck officer on duty, who shall be a licensed officer or certificated tankerman, shall exercise his skill and experience with due regard to attendant conditions and circumstances, including consideration for location of shore side facilities, maintenance of mobility, provision for fire protection, state or change of winds, tides, sea, weather conditions, forces of nature and other circumstances generally beyond human control.

(b) *Boiler fires.* Boiler fires are normally permitted during cargo transfer operations: *Provided*, That prior to loading Grades A, B, and C cargoes, the senior deck officer on duty, who shall be a licensed officer or certificated tankerman, shall make an inspection to determine whether in his judgment boiler fires may be maintained with reasonable safety during the loading operation.

(c) *Smoking.* Smoking is prohibited on the weather decks of tank vessels when they are not gas free or are alongside

docks. At other times and places the senior deck officer on duty, who shall be a licensed officer or certificated tankerman, shall designate when and where the crew may smoke: *Provided*, That prior to loading Grade A, B, or C cargo the master or senior deck officer on duty shall make an inspection to determine if and where, in his judgment, smoking may be permitted with reasonable safety during the loading operation.

(d) *Matches.* The use of other than safety matches is forbidden aboard tank vessels at all times.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16704, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 95-012, 60 FR 48049, Sept. 18, 1995]

§ 35.30-10 Cargo tank hatches, ullage holes, and Butterworth plates—TB/ALL.

No cargo tank hatches, ullage holes, or Butterworth plates shall be opened or shall remain open without flame screens, except under the supervision of the senior members of the crew on duty, unless the tank opened is gas free.

§ 35.30-15 Combustible gas indicator—TB/ALL.

(a) The provisions of this section shall apply only to United States flag vessels.

(b) Manned tank barges and tankships authorized to carry Grade A, B, C, or D liquids at any temperature, or Grade E liquids at elevated temperatures, shall be provided with a combustible gas indicator suitable for determining the presence of explosive concentrations of the cargo carried. An indicator which bears the label of Underwriters' Laboratories Inc., Factory Mutual Engineering Division, or other organizations acceptable to the Commandant will be accepted as meeting this requirement.

§ 35.30-20 Emergency equipment—TB/ALL

(a) Two emergency outfits, stored for use in widely separated, accessible locations, are required for the following:

- (1) All tankships on international voyage.
- (2) All tankships over 1,000 gross tons.